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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL

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This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

NOTES

RCE v. CPA: 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 is effective on May 29, 2000. If the above-identified application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(d) instead of a RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA.

FEES AND SUBMISSION REQUIRED: A submission as used in this section includes, but is not limited to, an information disclosure statement, an amendment to the written description, claims, or drawings, new arguments, or new evidence in support of patentability. If reply to an Office action under 35 U.S.C. 132 is outstanding, the submission must meet the reply requirements of § 1.111 (see 37 C.F.R. 1.114(c)).

RCE APPLIES TO: An application in which prosecution is closed (see 37 C.F.R. § 1.114(b)).

RCE DOES NOT APPLY TO: (1) A provisional application; (2) an application for a utility or plant patent filed under 35 U.S.C. 111(a) before June 8, 1995; (3) an international application filed under 35 U.S.C. 363 before June 8, 1995; (4) an application for a design patent; or (5) a patent under reexamination (see 37 C.F.R. 1.114(e)).

1. SUBMISSION REQUIRED UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

- a. Enter and consider the unentered amendment under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed.
- b. Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on ____.
- c. Amendment/Response enclosed.
- d. Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s) enclosed.
- e. Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) enclosed.
 - i. PTO-1449
 - ii. Copies of IDS Citations
- f. Other: _____

2. RCE FEE REQUIRED UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

- a. Small entity status
 - i. was established in the prior nonprovisional application.
 - ii. is established herewith by the enclosed written assertion of entitlement to small entity status.
- b. A Petition and Fee for Extension of Time for ____ months up to and including _____, is enclosed herewith.
- c. A check in the amount of \$ 770.00 is enclosed to cover the filing and petition fees.
- d. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the required fee(s), i.e., \$____, to Deposit Account No. 20-0531.
- e. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to credit overpayments or charge any additional fees required for this submission under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 to Deposit Account No. 20-0531.

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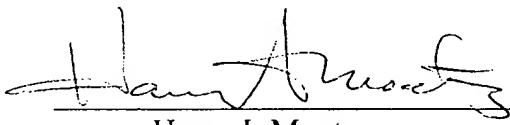
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